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# BIOGRAPHY

**COL LARRY D. McCALLISTER, USA**  
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Colonel McCallister has been the Commander of the Gulf Region South (GRS) District, Gulf Region Division (GRD), US Army Corps of Engineer in Iraq since July 2005. Prior to his current assignment he was the Director and Command Engineer, J4, Logistics and Installations Directorate at US Forces Japan in Yokota Air Base, Japan.

After graduating from college in 1978 as an R.O.T.C. Distinguished Military Graduate, COL Larry McCallister began his military career with his commissioning in the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). He has held a variety of command and staff assignments worldwide including Platoon Leader and Assistant Operations Officer, 293d Engineer Battalion, 18<sup>th</sup> Engineer Brigade, Baumholder, Germany; Fort Worth District Project Engineer/Program Manager, Carswell Air Base, TX; Assistant Operations Officer, 44<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Group, Korea; Commander E Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Battalion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division, Korea; Assistant Professor, Mechanical and Civil

Engineering Department at the United States Military Academy, West Point, NY; Assistant Division Engineer, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division and Executive Officer, 70<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division, Fort Riley, KS; Deputy Chief of Staff for Installations, Logistics, and Environment with the US Army Space and Missile Defense Command, Huntsville, AL; and Commander and Area Engineer, The US Engineer Group (TUSEG), Europe District, USACE, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey. During Operation DESERT STORM, COL McCallister served as an Operations Officer, 20<sup>th</sup> Engineer Brigade (Airborne), 18<sup>th</sup> Airborne Corps. He deployed to Somalia as the Joint Task Force Engineer, JTF Somalia, during Operation RESTORE HOPE and UNOSOM II, and was the Base Camp Engineer for Task Force Hawk (V Corps) in Albania providing combat support of Operation ALLIED FORCE, the Kosovo campaign.

In October 2000, COL McCallister moved to Tel Aviv, Israel where he served as the Europe District's Israel Program Manager. He was responsible for the planning, programming, start-up, and execution of the USACE implementation of the Israeli Military Facilities Relocation Program in accordance with the U.S. brokered 1998 Middle East Peace Initiative, the Wye River Accords.

COL McCallister has earned BS and MS degrees in Civil Engineering from the University of Missouri at Rolla, a Master in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College, and a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from the University of Texas at Arlington. He is a graduate of the Army's Engineer Officer Basic and Advance Courses, the Combined Armed Services Staff School, the Army Command and General Staff College, the Army Management Staff College, and the Army War College. He is a registered Professional Engineer with the states of Virginia and Texas.

COL McCallister's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (4), Joint Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (4), Army Achievement Medal (3), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (2), United Nations Medal, NATO Medal, and numerous campaign and service medals. In 2000 he was selected as one of the Top Ten Federal Engineers of the Year.